

JOIN THE GRANGE!



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- find your local grange
- learn about our activities and events
- find out how to join
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SCAN TO FIND A GRANGE NEAR YOU!



Photos on front cover from top to bottom: Grangers and Junior Grangers working together in a garden; Guiding Star Grange. Hall, Greenfield MA; a Grange display at the Topsfield Fair

Community Grange Membership Application

Name: _____

State: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

E-mail: _____

Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

For other family members, please add on second page

Date of Birth _____

I hereby apply for membership in _____

Grange # _____

I desire to unite with others in elevating and advancing the interest of the American family and community life, receiving in turn the benefits and advantages of those who belong to the Grange. I promise a faithful compliance with the By-laws of the Grange, and the Constitution and By-laws of the State and National Granges. I have not previously applied for membership in this or any other Grange during the past six months. I give the Grange permission to send information to my email address.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

Application Fee \$ _____

Recommended by _____

Granges in Massachusetts

Granges in our local communities are involved in many community building programs, including:

- Donating to and volunteering at local food banks and pantries
- Participating in and hosting farmer's markets
- Making care packages for our troops overseas
- Donating dictionaries to local elementary school children
- Providing college scholarships to students
- Supporting foster care
- Holding agricultural community fairs
- Hosting agricultural workshops and other agriculture education programs
- Opening their halls for community events



The Grange in Massachusetts provides support for agricultural education in many ways, including our partnerships:

- 4-H
- Massachusetts FFA Association
- Agriculture in the Classroom
- Massachusetts Envirothon
- Sustainathon
- University of Massachusetts Agriculture Learning Center
- University of Massachusetts Summer Scholars Program
- Massachusetts Agriculture in Action Expo

Our Mission

The Grange brings people together to build stronger communities by encouraging agricultural and environmental sustainability, community service and fostering future leaders.

A Place for All Ages

The Grange is a place for families. Children as young as 5 can participate as members of Junior Grange (for ages 5-14).



Full Grange membership begins at age 14. Junior Grange and Grange youth programs (for ages 14-21) offer young members fun activities, contests, and a chance to actively participate in projects that benefit their community.



WHAT IS THE GRANGE?

From Agriculture to Today's Communities

The origins of the Grange were based in agriculture; today the Grange focuses on strengthening local communities and also keeps true to its roots by promoting local agriculture and agricultural education.

Founded in 1867, the National Grange was the first nationwide farm organization. Through non-partisan grassroots legislative action, the Grange has worked to improve the lives of farmers and rural families across the nation.

Why Should You Join?

Current members have shared some of the reasons they joined and retain their membership:

- Leadership Development
- Community Service Opportunities
- Grassroots Legislative Action
- Opportunities to Make a Difference
- Lasting Friendships
- Family Environment
- Fun and Enjoyment

Grange meetings, activities, and events provide families with opportunities to socialize with others in their community and to build new friendships. In the Grange it is easy to make friendships that last a lifetime.

See what the Grange does in your community. Visit us online to learn more.

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